

RESOLUTION

Borough of Ogdensburg

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PETITION THE HIGHLANDS COUNCIL FOR PLAN CONFORMANCE

WHEREAS, the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act (Highlands Act), N.J.S.A. 13:20-1 et seq., finds and declares that protection of the New Jersey Highlands is an issue of State level importance because of its vital link to the future of the State's drinking water supplies and other key natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Act creates a coordinated land use planning system requiring the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (Highlands Council) to prepare and adopt a Regional Master Plan for the Highlands Region and requiring that within nine to 15 months after September 8, 2008, each county and municipality located wholly or partially in the Preservation Area must submit a Petition for Plan Conformance to the Highlands Council for that portion of its jurisdiction lying within the Preservation Area; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Act specifies that conformance with the Regional Master Plan (Plan Conformance) requires revisions to municipal and county master plans and development regulations as applicable to the development and use of land to align them with the goals, requirements, and provisions of the Regional Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Council's Plan Conformance Guidelines require that for jurisdictions with any lands in the Preservation Area, a Notice of Intent to conform to the Regional Master Plan must be submitted to the Highlands Council as soon as practicable, but not later than February 1, 2009 and that for any lands in the Planning Area, a Notice of Intent may be submitted at any time; and

WHEREAS, Borough of Ogdensburg lies within the Highlands Region as defined by the Highlands Act; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ogdensburg believes that it is in the best interest of the Borough of Ogdensburg to conform to the Regional Master Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the *Borough of Ogdensburg* hereby provides the Highlands Council with this Notice of Intent to petition the Highlands Council for Plan Conformance for all lands lying within the Preservation Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Notice of Intent provides notice to the Highlands Council that the *Borough of Ogdensburg* has set *November 1, 2009* as the target date for submission of a Petition for Plan Conformance.

CERTIFICATION

I, Phyllis Drouin, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Ogdensburg, Sussex County, New Jersey do certify the above to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the governing body at a regular meeting held on November 10, 2008.

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Borough of Ogdensburg

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November 14, 2008

Attn: Manager of Grants Administration NJ Highland Council 100 North Road (Route 513)

Chester, New Jersey 07930

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are Planning Assistance Grant Application along with a copy of the resolution authorizing submission of Highlands Initial Assessment Grant Application and copy of resolution for Notice of Intent to Petition the Highlands Council for Plan Conformance, which were adopted on November 10, 2008 at a regular council meeting.

Very truly yours,

Phyllis Drouin Borough Clerk

Encl: